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Town's Sector Plan is finally approved!

Dear Kensington Residents:

The Kensington Sector Plan was approved by the County Council on Tuesday, March 20th. We successfully achieved the densities and heights requested necessary to properly gentrify our core areas. This Plan for Kensington's future has been in the making for over four years. Several deserve a thank you including the Town Council & Staff, the Revitalization Committee, the Planning Board & Staff, County Council & Staff, property owners, business owners and most of all, the residents who participated and carried the flag for this endeavor. The Sector Plan is a 20-year map for the necessary road improvements and solutions we desperately need to alleviate traffic issues, offer housing choices, assisting new service options for entertainment and dining diversity, while preserving the neighborhoods, historic aspects and charm of the Town.

It has been a long process, with valuable, diverse, and thoughtful input from many. Anyone who met County Staff Members Marlene Michaelson and Fred Boyd can marvel at their dedication to developing this long-term plan. And, if you participated in the exercise, you saw Town and County Council Members who educated themselves in great depth on the smallest details of our Plan and took ownership of it, lobbying for their desired positions, and taking note what's best for our Town.

In the end, the approved Sector Plan is an outstanding blueprint for our future with reasonable, controlled growth and practical solutions to our needs. We are not done: future projects will require review by the Town and County prior to their approval, and we will have meaningful input on the scope and nature of those projects. Everyone's participation in our steps forward will be key to a successful revitalization.

To learn more about the Plan, please visit www.tok.md.gov under the drop down menu entitled "Revitalization". I hope this information has been helpful and you take an active role in the renewal of Kensington as we move forward. My optimistic outlook is the Sector Plan will lead to a better, livelier Kensington. Thank you again for your help in setting us correctly on this path ahead while properly reflecting on our past.

Warmest regards, Pete Fosselman Mayor